



MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

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COPIES TO: City Clerk, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Interests

DATE: February 19, 2016

I hope you all had a nice week. In today's memo you will find information on several Council Interest items and another national award Norfolk can claim.

Wetlands Fees – The Norfolk Wetlands Board collects wetland fees and deposits the money into one of two city special revenue accounts: payments-in-lieu of mitigation or compensation account and the civil charge assessment account.

Marine Resources Commission generally governs the use of these funds. The funds deposited in the mitigation account can only be used for tidal wetland restoration and the funds in the civil charge account can be used for environmental management related to the protection of wetlands and sand dunes.

Tire Store Displays – Zoning inspectors will inspect the auto related uses and review all displays. For 20 years the city has allowed a total of 10 tires displayed outdoors in the following manner:

- 2 stacks of five tires; or
- 5 single tires and 5 rims separated; or
- 10 tires with rims

I have attached the tire brochure the city provides to tire stores to the memo.

Signs – Planning staff is reviewing the temporary signs on the corridors mentioned during the council meeting. The current sign regulations places limitations on the time allowed to display a temporary sign. Staff will review the areas over the next month. The sign specifically mentioned at Clancy's was given a violation notice last week.

Urgency of Now – City staff from several departments attended the Urgency of Now regional symposium recently. The event was a collaboration of government and community stakeholders dedicated to addressing black male achievement. The event provided an opportunity to share information, provide insight and develop strategies on how communities can work together to address issues which are the leading cause of death in black males ages 15-24.



Keep Norfolk Beautiful Receives National Award – Keep Norfolk Beautiful (KNB) is one of the best in the country! Keep America Beautiful awarded KNB with the Award of Excellence (winner of population 100,001 – 250,000) at the national conference in January. Keep America Beautiful recognized KNB for its 2015 efforts which included planting 540 trees, hosting 41 Great American Cleanup events and cleaning up 26,887 pounds of debris around the Chesapeake Bay. KNB volunteers were recognized for picking up 29,000 pounds of litter, cleaning up 1.5 acres of wetlands and planting 100 trees, plants and shrubs. Keep America Beautiful also praised KNB for its cigarette litter campaign which saw a 74% reduction in cigarette litter after placing receptacles in the area.

Project Homeless Connect Wrap-Up – On January 27th Project Homeless Connect kicked off its 20th event. 400 attendees came through the door that day for an array of services from the clothing closet to health care. 600 volunteers, including City leadership, guided attendees to various services. Highlights of services include:

- 78 dental clinic visits
- 112 haircuts
- 333 clothing closet visits
- 65 City of Norfolk employment opportunities
- 150 First Aid kits distributed
- 137 HRT Farecards



Have a great weekend.

Am I permitted to store tires or vehicles outside of my facility?

It is unlawful for any person to accumulate, store, leave, place or deposit or allow to be accumulated, stored, left, placed or deposited, any solid waste on the property. (i.e. Litter, garbage, trash, industrial waste, bulk waste, yard waste, commercial waste, hazardous waste, structural waste, tires, etc.).

There shall be no storage on site of wrecked or inoperative vehicles. In addition, no vehicles awaiting service shall be parked on any public right-of-way. Inoperative vehicles will be towed.

Can I use a shipping container for storage?

Shipping containers are not permitted for permanent storage of tires. Any additional storage buildings requested must obtain a building permit and must be approved by the Zoning Administrator.

What are the requirements regarding property maintenance?

It is the duty of the property owner to cut grass, weeds, and other vegetable matter on the property, and between the sidewalk and curb. Grass, weeds, and other vegetable matter should not grow to a height of more than 12 inches.

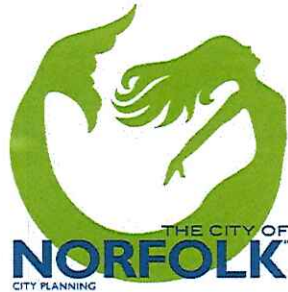
Where can I obtain a building permit?

Permits are required for all signs and structures. Permits may be obtained from the Development Services Center in City Hall.

Additional Information

Questions regarding the Tire Store process? Suggestions for improvement? Please contact the following:

- Department of City Planning (zoning information): 757-664-4752 or email at: planning@norfolk.gov.
- Norfolk Cares Assistance: 757-664-6610.
- Bureau of Neighborhood Quality: 757-664-6500.
- Department of Fire-Rescue: 757-664-6604



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What am I permitted to do as a tire store?

- Buy, sell, or trade new and used tires and rims.
- Remove, mount, balance, repair, rotate, and install tires and rims.
- Work must be done inside a bay or building if designed for the work.
- Minor repair work (i.e. wiper and lamp replacement).

What am I not permitted to do as a tire store?

- Store or repair vehicles.
- Do any work outside of a structure unless approved by the Zoning Administrator.
- Perform mechanical or body work.
- Change fluids.

How may I display the tires at my store?

A total of 10 tires may be displayed outdoors:

- 2 stacks of five tires; OR
- 5 single tires and 5 rims separated; OR
- 10 tires with rims

In addition, banners must be inside bay doors and not visible from the street when the bay doors are closed. **A building permit required**

What are the sign regulations for my tire store?

A business shall be permitted one square foot of sign surface area for each linear foot of building frontage facing a public street, but not less than 32 square feet. **A building permit is required.**

Temporary signs, or those constructed of cloth, canvas, fabric paper, plywood, or other light material and designed to be displayed and removed within certain time periods, have a different set of rules. Temporary signs for **commercial sale events** may be displayed for the duration of the sale event, with a limit of 15 times per year. Removal is required by 3 days after the end of the sale. **A building permit is required.**

Balloon signs may be displayed for a maximum of 7 days, with a limit of 3 times per year:

- One sign per business except that two such signs shall be permitted on corner lots.
- **A building permit is required.**

What signs are prohibited for my tire store?

- Portable signs
- Signs that move or flash
- Roof top signs

What are the fencing regulations for tire stores?

- A building permit is required for fences over 6 feet in height.
- Opaque fencing or landscaping, not less than 6 nor more than 8 feet in height, shall be installed along the entire length of abutting Residential Zoning Districts.
- All storage must be shielded from view.

Are there any fire regulations or inspections?

- An inspection will be required.
- Additional permits maybe required.
- All buildings or structures shall be provided with portable fire extinguishers.
- Tires are only to be stored inside of a building.
- Where tires are stored on-tread, the dimension of the pile in the direction of the wheel hole shall not be more than 50 feet.
- Tires stored adjacent to or along one wall shall not extend more than 25 feet from that wall.
- Other piles shall not be more than 50 feet in width.
- High piled storage of tires greater than 6 feet is limited to 500 square feet of rack footprint area in spaces not protected by fire sprinklers.